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Honorable Don Nickles
United States Senate
713 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Senator Nickles:

This is in reply to your letter of June 21, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, Junior Huckaby, regarding the <u>Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice)</u> in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This <u>Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.</u>

The proposals in the <u>Notice</u> reflect to a large extent concepts and proposals submitted in the initial inquiry stages of this proceeding. None of the proposals set forth in the <u>Notice</u>, however, are engraved in stone. Indeed, the proposals represent our best judgment at this stage of the proceeding on steps that must be taken to improve the regulatory climate for users of the private land mobile radio spectrum below 512 MHz. I have enclosed for your information a copy of that part of the Notice that describes the numerous

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for such consideration as the communication herewith submitted may warrant, and <u>for a report</u> thereon, <u>in duplicate</u> to accompany <u>return of</u> enclosure.

By direction of

Don Nickles United States Senate SH 713 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D. C. 20510-3602

RE: 2 Way Radio Communication: FCC Docket 92-235

Having just received information concerning a proposed rule change by the F C C, which would reduce the power level and range of communication for County Government Communication, I feel empowered to make a few comments:

- 1: County Government operates on a very limited budget. Counties simply cannot afford to buy all new equipment.
- 2: This County has spent the past 6 years modernizing an old, antiquated system and during the past year my county has felt real satisfaction with its communication system.
- 3: It has been brought to my attention that at this time, the industry does not manufacture equipment capable of meeting the proposed regulations.
- 4: With no money in the budget, and no equipment available if there was money, where does that leave us?
- 5: With no radio communication County Employees, especially those working in isolated areas, in jeopardy should a need to communicate arise. Needs range all the way from oil leaks on a machine and flat tires to any number of life threatening situations.
- 6: The radios are all important for cost saving measures due to the amount of communication necessary from the command center to the equipment operators in order for jobs to be kept moving on schedule.

Sincerely

Junior Huckaby Harper Co. Comm. Dist. #3

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